

In the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the Application.

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently amended) A system for packaging applications that ~~operate~~ operates on an operating system, the system[[,]] operable on a computer system, comprising:

means for determining the operating system on which the packaging applications will operate;

means for providing at least one parameter corresponding to at least one element used by native utilities on the determined operating system; and

a process for accessing the native utilities of the determined operating system based on the at least one parameter, wherein the at least one parameter identifies the location of the application prior to the application being packaged, identifies where the application is to be placed after it has been packaged, identifies a name for the application, identifies an identifier used by an installation utility in order to identify the application for use by the installation utility, specifies an identifier unique to the ~~at least one~~ determined operating system and identifies the particular version of the application that is to be packaged.

2. (Cancelled)
3. (Cancelled)
4. (Cancelled)
5. (Cancelled)

6. (Cancelled)
7. (Cancelled)
8. (Previously presented) The system of claim 1, wherein the at least one parameter is inputted to the process by a command line.
9. (Previously presented) The system of claim 1, wherein the at least one parameter is inputted to the process by a graphical user interface.
10. (Original) The system of claim 1 further comprising:

a plurality of computers connected to each other by a network, wherein the process resides on at least one of the computers and said process establishes a communication with a second process residing on another one of the at least one of the computers to enable the first process to be used to allow the second process to create a software package utilizing the operating system native to the computer containing the second process.
11. (Currently amended) A method for building software that operates on an operating system comprising the steps of:

determining the operating system on which the software will operate;

providing the location of the files and directories in a server which comprise the software;

providing a location on the sever wherein the location is the place in which the files and directories will be placed, and

~~wherein in response to steps (a), (b) and (c)~~ utilizing a set of programs unique to the determined operating system in order to create a software package capable of being installed

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on installation media, wherein at least one unique identifier of the software and components of the software are provided to the set of programs.

12. (Cancelled).

13. (Cancelled)

14. (Cancelled)

15. (Cancelled).